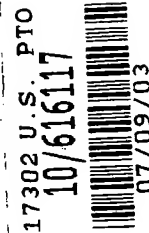




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PATENT APPLICATION

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APPLICATION FOR U.S. PATENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL FORM

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the utility patent application of:

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:

Rian R. Maloney

Entitled: Method and System for Online Communication
Between a Check Sorter and a Check Processing
System

APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

1. ☒ This Fee Transmittal Form
2. Applicant is:
☒ Large Entity
☐ Small Entity
☐ Small Entity Statement enclosed
☐ Small Entity Statement filed in prior application.
Status still proper and desired.
3. ☒ Specification (34 Total Pages)
4. ☒ Drawings (4 Total Sheets)
☒ Formal
☐ Informal
5. ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
(3 Total Pages)
☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

[X] Copy from a prior application: **Application
Serial No. 09/553,228, filed April 20, 2000**
(for continuation/divisional only)

6. The accompanying application is:

[] Original

[] Continuation

[X] Divisional

[] Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

Prior Application No.: 09/553,228

Filed: April 20, 2000

Examiner: Daniel K. Schlak

Group/Art Unit: 3653

which is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

(For Continuation or Divisional Applications only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5 above, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.)

7. [] Priority of foreign Application No. _____,
filed on _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C.
§ 119.

[] A certified copy is attached.

[] A certified copy was filed in prior Application
Serial No. _____, filed _____.

8. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to
Sterling Commerce, Inc., a Delaware corporation, at reel
011081, frame 0692 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
records, and was recorded on August 31, 2000.

FEE CALCULATION:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED
BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

FEE CALCULATION					FEE
	Number		Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
					\$ 750.00
Total Claims:	41	-20 =	21	X \$18 =	\$378.00
Independent Claims	5	- 3 =	2	X \$84 =	\$168.00
Total of Above					\$.00
Less 50% for Small Entity					\$ 00
TOTAL FILING FEE =					\$1,286.00

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:

9. ☐ An Assignment of the invention to _____ is attached.
A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.28 and
§ 3.31 is included with an Assignment recordal fee of
\$____ pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h).

10. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) PTO-1449
☐ Copies of IDS Citations.
☒ Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of
these references are not being furnished.

11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

12. ☒ Certificate of Mailing

13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

14. ☐ Other: _____

15. [X] A check in the amount of \$1,286.00 to satisfy filing fee requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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Application Transmittal Letter (USPTO Form 1390), Declaration and Power of Attorney,
Formal Drawings (4 sheets), and Information Disclosure Statement are being deposited with
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